MEETING MINUTES

ACT 264 Advisory Board

via Skype June 26th, 2020 DRAFT

MINUTES SUBMITTED BY: HEATHER FREEMAN

Agenda Items	<u>Discussion Points</u>	<u>Decisions/Actions</u>
ACT 264 Advisory Board Meeting (9:30-10:30) Attending (vis phone): Ron Bos-Lun, Matt Wolf, Heather Freeman, Cinn Smith, Alice Maynard, Laurie Mulhern, Doug Norford, Ward Nial, Cindy Tabor Guests: Joanne Crawford, Christina Thompson		
B. Review May Minutes	1. Add the approval of the motion to the May minutes. Alice moved to accept the minutes with the edit, Laurie seconded. Vote unanimous to approve the motion.	The motion was approved.
C. Open discussion time	 Heather will share the Strong and Healthy Start Guidance, the Payment of Special Education Personnel and Contracted Services During School Closure due to COVID-19 revised 5/13, and the AOE COVID-19 Related Financial Guidance revised on 5/27 with the board. There is the section on page 21 of the Strong and Healthy Start Guidance which talks about schools working "In partnership with mental health partners, develop and implement universal social and emotional screenings in order to identify students who need support; Recognize that all students have had different experiences from COVID-19 and not everyone in the school will be in the same place. Be prepared to validate that some students are disappointed, some had fun, some are grieving, some are exhausted from added responsibilities at home, some have experienced trauma and some preferred remote learning and are reluctant to return." Schools are still unsure about signing contracts (particularly with the mental health agencies), as this is being worked on at the state level. Additionally, schools are concerned about the ability to contract for and provide services to students on July 1 as required by the IEP teams. Alice offered to write a letter to the state on behalf of the Advisory Board. Doug thanked her for the idea, but the group agreed that it was not necessary at this time as it is being discussed already at the state level. Alice recommended "Reality Is Not What It Seems", by Carlo Rovelli 	No actions at this time.